

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 05, 2017

Students' Union Building

### 1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

#### PRESENT

Tatiana Gilbert	President
Cole Hickson	Vice President External
Caitlin Orteza	Vice President Equity
Janelle Lapointe	Vice President Internal
Gagandeep Singh	Vice President Services
Simranjit Singh	International Students' Representative
James-Dean Aleck	Aboriginal Representative
Emmanuel Daramola	Graduate Students' Representative
Dale Drozda	LGBTQ Representative
Saprina Chandi	Women's Students' Representative
Inayat Ur Rehman	Visible Minority Students Representative
Aanchal Mogla	Campaigns Committee Representative
Brandon Hayashi	Campaigns Committee Representative
Arjun Gill	Services Committee Representative
Inderpreet Bains	Services Committee Representative
Richard Abankwa	Entertainment Committee Representative
Mwansa Kaunda	Caucus Steering Committee Representative
Mico Miede-Moffat	Caucus Steering Committee Representative

#### REGRETS

#### ABSENT

#### STAFF

Alex McLellan	University Governance Coordinator
Dylan Robinson	Equity Coordinator
Leif Douglass	Campaigns Coordinator
Parth Patel	Entertainment Coordinator
Cassandra Ring	Services Coordinator
Natalie Reisle	Communications Coordinator

## 2) Approval of the Agenda

2.1) MOTION  
*SINGH/BAINS*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

## 3) Approval of the Minutes

## 4) Correspondence

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

## 5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GL-015 Animals and the Law (Kyla Shinkewski/Katie Sykes)

Shinkewski presented the request for funds to host the Animal and the Law Guest Lecture. Shinkewski outlined that they were seeking funds to host a lecture on March 20, 2018 featuring animal rights experts Marcie Moriarty, Rebecca Breder, and Alex Janse. Shinkewski believes that this area of law is under taught in the existing law curriculum and that this lecture will be an excellent supplement to the program and will be well received by the students and faculty alike. Shinkewski provide the Board of Directors an overview of the event and the projected costs associated with the event and urged the Board of Directors to fund the application.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-037 2018 TEDxTRU (Mauricio Castro)

Castro presented the request for funding to host the TedxTRU Educational Event. Castro provide the Board of Directors with an overview of the Tedx brand and the roster of speakers for the event. Castro then detailed the event program and provided a review of the finances for the event including an estimate of projected ticket sales. Castro encouraged the Board to support the event and claimed the event will be an excellent opportunity for TRU.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-038 TRU Traditional Powwow (Lesley Campbell)

Clement thanked the Board for past funding and presented the request for funding to host the TRU Traditional Powwow Educational Event. Clement provided the Board with the origins of the event and provided an overview of the events program. Clement outlined the importance of the event as an opportunity to introduce non-indigenous students to indigenous culture and noted that they believe they would have approximately 600 participants at the event. Clement noted that he believed the event would be a great investment for campus.

TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-234 Pacific Ecology Evolution Conference  
(Vanessa Robinson)

Robinson presented the request to attend the Conference. Robinson provided an overview of the conference location and the uniqueness of the conference. Robinson detailed the number of proposed attendees and noted that several of them have been selected to present at the conference as well as attend. Robinson noted that there have been some changes to the groups travel plans since the submission of the application but encouraged the board to support the funding request.

## 6) Committee Progress Reports

Executive Committee (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee has met twice since the last meeting.

Lane reported that the committee appointed new members to a series of institutional governance committees including the Presidents Task Force on Mental Health and Wellbeing, the Adventure, Culinary Arts, and Tourism Faculty Council, and the TRU Foodservice Review Advisory Group.

Lane reported that the committee has sponsored the Kamloops Film Festival.

Finally, Lane noted that the committee reviewed an appearance request submitted by the Visible Minorities Students representative.

Campaigns Committee (Leif Douglass)

Douglass reported that the committee met once since the last meeting and that the committee plan continues to progress.

With respect to the committees' objective to educate the broader community about TRU underfunding through community and presentations and a social media campaign Douglass noted that the committee has completed over thirty presentations and that the committee continues to schedule presentations where possible. Douglass also noted that the committee will be releasing a new infographic next week and would appreciate if Board members could assist by sharing it where possible.

In terms of the committee's objective to communicate and engage members in advancing potential solutions on fees, funding, and financial aid Douglass reported that the committee has been working on its international days outreach to promote jurisdictions that provide tuition fee free education. Douglass noted that the committee will be tabling at the international days showcase and that it will be releasing a series of videos and newsfeed posts and that they are currently finalizing the materials for these activities.

Lastly, with respect to the committee's objective to empower students to share their perspectives with decision makers at the municipal level Douglass reported that the committee continues to work to plan the stakeholders transportation roundtable. Douglass noted that the committee was in the process of

developing the discussion questions and sending out the participant invitations and that they would have more to report at future meetings.

#### Services Committee (Cassandra Ring)

Ring reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting.

With regards to the committee's objective to improve the usage of the health and dental plan through a digital and campus outreach strategy to educate students Ring-Hall reported that the committee noted that the campus outreach plan to table is on track.

In terms of the objective to increase the usage of the Members Advocate service by educating members about the service Ring-Hall reported is well on the way to the committee's desire to engage 1000 students.

Ring-Hall reported that the committee's objective to improve the usage of the TRUSU Grants program is well underway and that the committee is preparing for its upcoming information sessions.

Lastly, Ring-Hall reported that the committee's objective to educate students about the availability of Common Grounds as a campus food service alternative is on track and that the committee recently hosted its last Common Grounds promotional give away event for the year.

#### Entertainment Committee (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting

Patel noted that the committee's has been devoting its time to planning this year's Common Voices Lecture Series featuring Terry O'Reilly including ensuring the remaining logistical details are complete. Patel noted that the committee has come completed its volunteer training for the event and that ticket sales are going well and that they expect the event to be a sellout. Patel reported that the details for the Club Leaders discussion with Terry O'Reilly are now finalized and that four clubs are confirmed to participate.

#### Equity Committee (Dylan Robinson)

Robinson reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting.

Robinson reported that the committee recently completed its Islamophobia film screening and that the committee is pleased to report that it has met all of its desired outcomes for the event.

Robinson reported that due to the inability to secure the materials in timely fashion the committee will be cancelling its proposed poverty simulation as it will not be possible for the committee to develop its own materials.

Finally, Robinson noted that the committee continues to prepare for its International Women's Day panel on Sexualized Violence. Robinson outlined that the committee continues to work to finalize the panelists and confirm the logistical details.

## Student Caucus Steering Committee (Alex McLellan)

McLellan reported that the committee has met twice since the last board meeting.

With respect to the objective to facilitate opportunities for students to participate in decision making at TRU. McLellan reported that the committee continues to support a wide range of students across a large number of committees and to meet the metrics associated with such. McLellan did note that the committee is working to fill some vacancies that have arose due to students who are no longer able to fulfill their obligation to the committee to which they were appointed.

In terms of the objective to pressure TRU to respond to the Student Budget Consultations McLellan noted that this objective is on track. The committee reported that they have now received responses to all of the recommendations from the previous years budget consultation and that they will be publishing them in the coming days and weeks.

McLellan also noted that the committee is about to begin this years budget consultation. The survey is prepared and the outreach will begin next week and the committee hopes to have four hundred participants.

Lastly, McLellan noted that noted that the committee's objective to seek a full consultation on the food service contract renewal has been completed. McLellan noted that the TRU Food Services Review Advisory Group has been struck and will have its first meeting in the coming weeks. McLellan noted that the Caucus has appointed two representatives and that he will report back as the committees activities develop.

## 7) Finance Report

## 8) Staff Report

### Club Ratifications – (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that all club's applications submitted for consideration today are eligible for ratification by the board of directors.

### Communications Report – February 05, 2018 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the overall performance of our communications has been positive during this period.

With respect to the website Reisle reported that the performance for the period was positive and that we surpassed our weekly averages from the previous years for this period. Reisle noted that the traffic has been generated largely by visits to the TRUSU Awards webpage.

In terms of social media Reisle reported that Facebook performance was down because of the new algorithm. Reisle also noted that performance during this period was positive on Instagram and that we are exceeded last years average.

Lastly, Reisle reported that our performance on Twitter has been okay although this remains our weakest platform.

Reisle noted that the January newsletter went out during the period and contained the TRUSU Awards details and the Student Budget Consultation.

#### TRUSU Grants Report – February 02, 2018 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle noted that we continue to progress as planned regarding the growth of the TRUSU Grants program.

Reisle noted that we continue to struggle with general event grants as most clubs are opting to attempt secure educational events.

Reisle reported that there was nothing material not report with regards to the guest lecture grants portion of the program.

Reisle noted that the executive approved a community sponsorship grant for the Kamloops Film Festival.

#### World University Services of Canada Task Force Report – (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee has completed its work and tabled the task forces report to the Board. Lane reported that the task force is recommending that the Board assign responsibility for the Student Refugee Program to the Equity Committee moving forward, that the Board schedule a referendum to approve a dedicated fee to support the program in fall 2018, and that the Equity be tasked to develop the campaign to support the referenda.

#### 9) Old Business

#### 10) New Business

##### 10.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *DROZDA/BAINS*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GL-015 \$1,275.00 to host the Animals and the Law Guest Lecture.

**CARRIED**

##### 10.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *SINGH/LAPOINTE*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-037 \$801.04 to host the TEDxTRU event.

**CARRIED**

##### 10.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *CHANDI/DROZDA*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-038 \$5,000.00 to host the TRU Traditional Powwow.

**CARRIED**

- 10.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*DARAMOLA/LAPOINTE*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-234 \$2,470.50 to attend the Pacific Ecology and Evolution Conference 2018  
**CARRIED**
- 10.5) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*BAINS/KAUNDA*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Fair Vote Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.6) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*MIEGE-MOFFAT/SINGH*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Your Edu Connect Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.7) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*HAYASHI/TARANNUM*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Greens Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.8) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*BAINS/ABANKWA*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Latin American Dance Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.9) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*DROZDA/LAPOINTE*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Philosophy Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.10) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*KAUNDA/SINGH*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Undergraduate Research Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.11) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION  
*HICKSON/GILL*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Fun Run Trails Club.  
**CARRIED**
- 10.12) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*SINGH/HAYASHI*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Supply Chain Club.  
**CARRIED**

10.13) TRUSU HONORARIA  
*BAINS/HAYASHI*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of January 11, 2018 – January 24, 2018.

**CARRIED**

10.14) MOTION – WUSC FORCE REPORT  
*KAUNDA/CHANDI*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the WUSC Task Force Report as presented.

**CARRIED**

**11) Meeting Time**

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 – 4:00PM

**12) Notices of Motion**

**13) In Camera Section (if needed)**

**14) Adjournment**

14.1) MOTION  
*MEIGE-MOFFAT/GILL*

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

**CARRIED**